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February 16, 2012

Mr. Stanley Hayes
2001 North State Route 7, Suite A
Pleasant Hill, MO 64080-8005

Dear Mr. Hayes,

Thank you for contacting my office. I am pleased to report to you with good news.

Enclosed you will find a reply to my office from the IRS regarding your concern about Operation BBQ Relief, Inc. requesting to be 501(c)3 exempt. This agency reports that Operation BBQ Relief, Inc. is now granted status 501(c)3 exempt.

I was pleased to have the opportunity to help, and hope that you will contact my Office of Constituent Services at 308 East High Street Suite 202, in Jefferson City, MO 65101 or fax to my office at 543-634-6005 in the future if I may be of further assistance.

Sincere regards,



Roy Blunt
United States Senator

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Date: **FEB 09 2012**

OPERATION BBQ RELIEF
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PLEASANT HILL, MO 64080

Employer Identification Number:
45-2442792
DLN:
502027000
Contact Person:
DANIEL RENNER ID# 31697
Contact Telephone Number:
(877) 829-5500
Accounting Period Ending:
December 31
Public Charity Status:
170(b)(1)(A)(vi)
Form 990 Required:
Yes
Effective Date of Exemption:
June 13, 2011
Contribution Deductibility:
Yes
Addendum Applies:
No

Dear Applicant:

We are pleased to inform you that upon review of your application for tax exempt status we have determined that you are exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Contributions to you are deductible under section 170 of the Code. You are also qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under section 2055, 2106 or 2522 of the Code. Because this letter could help resolve any questions regarding your exempt status, you should keep it in your permanent records.

Organizations exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Code are further classified as either public charities or private foundations. We determined that you are a public charity under the Code section(s) listed in the heading of this letter.

Please see enclosed Publication 4221-PC, Compliance Guide for 501(c)(3) Public Charities, for some helpful information about your responsibilities as an exempt organization.

Sincerely,



Lois G. Lerner
Director, Exempt Organizations

Enclosure: Publication 4221-PC

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